



City of Gunnison Parks Department 2015 Six Month Report

Over the past six months the Parks Department has been focusing on training for seasonal employees, summer events, working on projects for the Community Center and Pool, upgrading the parks, and all of our ambient work. I was very pleased with the summer crew for this year.

The events that the Parks crew has put on are; Fishing Derby, 4th of July, the Gun show, the Car show, Carving up Colorado, the dog show, Art in the park, Softball tournaments, two motorcycle events, and City fest to name a few.

The projects that the parks crew has been responsible for include; revamping the irrigation in one of the West end Islands, building a road to the new Dog Park, upgrading the scorekeepers booths in Jorgensen, fixing many old sprinkler valves, landscaping around the Skate Park, fixing the condenser at the Ice Rink, Fixing standpipes, building a retaining wall out of rock on the east end sign, also irrigating planted trees and placed rock on the west end sign. The parks crew has also fixed things in the Pool and Community Center from time to time. (Water slide, faucets, toilets, leaking pipes, painting, fixing drywall, lights, etc.). In addition alternative sentencing (community service) has helped us tremendously this year doing a lot of the painting and staining, trash cleanup in the parks and at the bus stops, cleaning the hockey rink as well as many other tasks.

The Parks crew is just finishing; painting soccer and football fields, blowing out all the irrigation lines, getting Cranor ready to open, and helping the Ice rink manager prepare the rinks for the 2015 hockey season.

This winter, we will be doing snow removal, possibly opening Cranor, maintenance on the ice rink and the Community Center. Thanks to the seasonal and full time Parks employees it was a summer with a lot of work accomplished. I have a lot of trust in the employees, I work with, and their abilities.

Thank you,
Jerad Besecker
Parks Foreman